

DARK LOOK LED AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Automotive lamps are configured having at least one array of light emitting
10 diodes (LEDs) supported within the lamps. A bezel is positioned in each lamp
adjacent to the LEDs, the bezel having a dark surface, the dark surface having a
high gloss finish with reflector shaped surfaces to reflect light from the LEDs
while absorbing visible light from external sources. A lens of light transmitting
material covers the array of LEDs. The automotive lamp is especially useful as a
15 rear combination lamp having red LEDs serving both tail light and stop light
functions, as well as amber or red LEDs providing turn and hazard signals. A
center, high-mounted stop lamp (CHMSL), also using an array of LEDs
surrounded by a dark bezel with high gloss reflector shaped surfaces, is used in
combination with a pair of the rear combination lamps. In one embodiment the
20 rear combination lamps include side marker LEDs.